# Snohomish County Public Works Assistance Fund 2023 Loan Application

## **BORROWING AGENCY INFORMATION**

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Project Title: Viking Way Phase 2

### **PROJECT TYPE**

Check all categories that apply to your project

Water Systems	Sanitary Sewer	Storm Sewer
Streets/Roads	Bridge	Solid Waste or Recycling Facility

# **APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS**

$\square$	Detailed vicinity map showing project location
	(See 90% Plans)
$\square$	Detailed project cost estimate signed by a Professional Engineer registered in WA State
$\square$	Typical road sections (if applicable)
	(See 90% Plans)
$\square$	Utility Plan View (if applicable)
	(See 90% Plans)
$\square$	Documentation of funding commitment from all funding partners

# **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

(Expand each section below as needed)

#### Project Title: Viking Way Phase 2

Project Description: (Please describe individual project components i.e. utility work, landscaping, geometrics, illumination etc.)

This project is the second and final phase of a larger 90th Avenue Extension and Viking Way. This project received funding from the Puget Sound Regional Council RTCC program for engineering, right of way, and construction. We have received the final documentation for the right of way portion of the project, we anticipate all easements and acquisitions to be recorded within the next two weeks. We have all permits in hand, with our 100% design and bid package completing within the next two weeks. The construction phase received \$865,000 of federal funding. This project will provide a completed road from the existing termination approximately 300 feet east of 92<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to 92<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The design includes a new road with curb, gutter, planter strips, street lighting and sidewalks on both sides. The project required the acquisition of one property totaling approximately 18,500 square feet. We have reached an agreement with the seller a signed deed in hand to be recorded in the coming weeks.

#### **Describe Existing Conditions:**

Viking Way currently ends approximately 300 feet to the East of 92<sup>nd</sup> Ave NW. The Snohomish County Public Utility District (PUD) laydown yard separates Viking Way from 92<sup>nd</sup> presently. The PUD yard consists of a gravel lot with a gravity block retaining wall on the Eastern portion.

#### **Describe Proposed Improvements**

The completed project will add a continuous road, curb and gutter, sidewalk, and drainage connecting 92<sup>nd</sup> Ave NW and 88<sup>th</sup> Ave NW providing an additional method of East/West travel through Stanwood. The addition will also correct an existing misalignment of the QFC grocery store parking lot and the Port Susan Marketplace. These access points are close to the signalized intersection of SR532. This causes turning conflicts throughout the day causing traffic backups and on-going safety concerns.

#### Describe Project Benefits:

Viking Way Phase 2 will provide another East / West connection between 92<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 88<sup>th</sup> Avenue. This will allow drivers to go between the QFC shopping center, through the Viking Village shopping center to Rite Aid, without going out to SR532 or going to 271<sup>st</sup> (Main) Street. This will help to reduce congestion on the other East-West routes along with reducing emergency response times. This project will also align the intersection with the main entrance to a large commercial center to the West. This will help encourage pedestrians and bicyclists to utilize this roadway to go between business districts. This will also provide a connection to a trail system on the south side of SR532 that will connect the park and ride to Hamilton Landing Park and boat launch. Allowing cyclists and pedestrians to get out of their cars to travel through and around town.

# **POLICY OBJECTIVES**

(Expand each section below as needed)

Applications for Snohomish County Public Works Assistance Funds (SCPWAF) shall include descriptions on how the project meets the following policy objectives if applicable:

1. Are you applying for assistance due to a severe fiscal distress resulting from a natural disaster or emergency public works need? No Yes (If yes, explain)

2. Does your project address a health or safety issue? No Xes (If yes, explain)

The addition will also correct an existing misalignment of the QFC grocery store parking lot and the Port Susan Marketplace. These access points are close to the signalized intersection of SR532. This causes turning conflicts throughout the day causing traffic backups and on-going safety concerns. This project will also provide sidewalks and a landscape buffer along the alignment. Currently pedestrians are forced to walk along a narrow gravel shoulder on the North side of Viking Way.

3. Does your project address a gap in your system or correct an infrastructure deficiency?

Viking Way currently ends approximately 300 feet from 92<sup>nd</sup> avenue. This second and final phase will provide a continuous road from 92<sup>nd</sup> to 88<sup>th</sup> avenue.

4. Does this project provide a long term solution or does it rely on other measures for full improvement?

This second and final phase provides a completed street. Viking Way has been shown in City long term planning for decades, it has taken several years of engineering, permitting, and construction to complete the project. We have permits completed, ROW packets have been signed by the City and property owners, pending WSDOT ROW and 100% design review we will have a shovel ready project this winter. When we applied for federal funding in 2021 our cost estimate was \$1,000,000. During design it was determined preloading would be required, adding construction costs. Also, during the lengthy design and ROW process construction costs and inflation raised a substantial amount. This increased our construction estimate to roughly \$2,000,000.

5. Does your project expand capacity in order to meet projected population and employment growth, and promote and improve economic development? No Yes (If yes, explain)

This project will help the City of Stanwood's rural town center by completing a road grid system in the Downtown Center and a large area of the Main Street Business II (MBII) Zone. The proposed phase will complete the last section Viking Way. This will provide the city with another option for east west travel through downtown. This will eliminate the need to get on main street or on SR 532 to go from business to business. There are existing businesses that have the potential to be much stronger, and large undeveloped parcels that would be encouraged to develop.

- 6. Describe the benefit from this project, to essential public facilities? These construction funds will provide a completed street network adding a continuous road and sidewalk network between the East and West business districts. This will help to reduce congestion on the other East-West routes and reduce emergency response times.
- 7. What % of the total population of your jurisdiction receives a benefit from this project?

This project will benefit the entire population of Stanwood, but will benefit the greater community including unincorporated Snohomish County residents who use and enjoy downtown Stanwood as a central community gathering place and also a significant number of Camano Island residents.

8. Describe the type of users who will benefit from this project, including minority, low-income and/or other protected classes as identified

The Viking Way Phase 2 project focuses on connecting the Historic areas of Stanwood while providing cohesion between all types of transportation. Adjacent to the area exists an Amtrak Station and park-and-ride lot serving Island County Transit and Snohomish Community Transit. Fully compliant ADA ramps, sidewalks and crosswalks as well as installing a landscaped buffer to shield pedestrians from the roadway are included. The project will also create a new route for bikers right through the heart of the City's Downtown Center. Overall, the project aims to improve access, reduce travel times and conflicts, and promote safety of all users. By providing sidewalks for cyclists and pedestrians this will allow users a safe connection from the new train system constructed in 2020 and continued in 2024 that will connect the park-and-ride to the currently in construction Hamilton Landing Park and boat launch. The Viking Way project is in the Consortium Area for Low/Moderate Income Individuals and therefore will provide direct benefit to those individuals. It will benefit all of the commercial users by providing them easier access to the businesses along this corridor. By providing better access to un-developed and under-developed property, it will encourage development, which will provide employment opportunities and therefore benefit the unemployed and underemployed.

# **PROJECT SCHEDULE**

Milestone	Date	
Start Design Engineering	90% Design complete. NEPA CE in hand. 100% Design and bid package within the next two weeks.	
Contract Advertisement	Late Winter 2024	
Start Project Construction	Spring 2024	
Project Substantial Completion	Summer 2025	

# **PROJECT FUNDING**

Amount of Funds Requested: \$ 1,000,000

Phase	Project Cost Breakdown			
	SCPWAF \$	Local \$	Other \$	Total Project \$
Design/Engineering/Planning	0	158,634	173,000	331,634
Right of Way	0	40,500	259,500	300,000
Construction Engineering	200,000	150,000		350,000
Construction	800,000	335,000	865,000	2,000,000
Total Project Costs				2,981,634

# **FUNDING PARTNERS**

Source	Public/Private	Amount
FHWA via PSRC RTCC	Public	\$1,297,500

(Expand as needed)

### **BORROWING AGENCY CERTIFICATION**

Certification is hereby given that the information provided is accurate and the applicable attachments are complete and included as part of the application package.

Agency Official Signature

Date

12/01/2023